## SAINT JAMES AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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GROWING FOR GOD'S GLORY

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#### **Vision Statement**

To grow fully mature
Christians through
Spirituality, Education,
Stewardship and Service

#### **Mission Statement**

As the redeemed people of
God called church, our
mission is to grow fully mature
followers for our Lord and
Savior Jesus Christ. We
believe that full growth and
maturity includes the Lordship
of Jesus Christ over our time,
talents, tithes and offerings

#### WELCOME . .





n the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, we bid you a hearty welcome to St. James AME Church. It is our fervent hope that you will

enjoy your worship experience with us.

We are a church family that is growing for God's glory in all areas of our lives. Please feel free to become better acquainted with us by perusing this brochure. It will give you an overview of our beliefs, worship schedule and a wide range of ministries that extend beyond the arched ceilings and stained-glass windows of our historic cathedral.

If this is your first visit, we are honored that the Lord has led you this way. If you are looking for a new church home, we offer you a personal invitation to join a community of belivers that embraces all of God's people.

Once again, welcome,

Rev. William D. Watley, Ph.D. Senior Pastor

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#### OUR FIRST FAMILY



Rev. Williams D. Watley, First Lady Muriel Watley



s a church that is growing for God's glory, we are blessed to have a Pastor and First Lady who are rooted in the Word and possess experience

and wisdom.

The Rev. William D. Watley has been the pastor of St. James AME Church since 1984. A graduate of St. Louis University, Rev. Watley also holds a Master of Divinity degree from the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta and a Master of Philosophy and Doctor of Philosophy from the joint doctoral program of Columbia University and Union Theological Seminary in New York City.

The former college president is noted for his scholarly sermons and as the published author and co-author of many books. In the field of ecumenism, he has held offices in numerous organizations, including the National Council of Churches and the World Council of Churches. Presently, he is on the executive and theology committees for the World Methodist Council.

While Muriel Watley is the light of our pastor's eye, she also uses her gifts and talents to help uplift the congregation and serve the community beyond St. James. Since she was a teenager, Mrs. Watley has always had a commitment to service. Over the years, Mrs. Watley has been the host of a weekly television talk show, a supervisor of marketing research and created and served as director of a teen pregnancy prevention program.

In the life of the church, Mrs. Watley is supervisor of the Women's Missionary Society.

All members of the Watley family play an active role in church leadership. Marian Watley, our pastor's mother, has been a steadfast leader of youth ministries and is the coordinator of New Life Ministry.

Their daughter, Jennifer Watley Maxell, is also a driving force behind the church's youth ministries and is a member of the Stewardess Board at St. James.

Their son, the Rev. Matthew L. Watley, is presently Youth Minister at Reid Temple A.M.E. Church in Lanham, Maryland, and their son-in-law, Charles Maxell, is a member of the St. James ministerial staff.



Clockwise: Mother Marian Watley, Rev. Williams D. Watley, Jennifer Watley-Maxell, First Lady Muriel Watley, Madison Savannah Maxell



## AT THE HEART OF OUR BELIEFS ...

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e believe in a God who is infinite and eternal, omniscient (all knowing), omnipotent (all powerful) and omnipresent (everywhere at the same

time), who has been manifested and revealed in Jesus Christ and still lives among us as the Holy Spirit.

We believe that Jesus Christ is the final and fullest revelation of God and that he is both fully human and fully divine (Heb. 1:1-3).



We believe that Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners (1 Tim. 1:15) and that having conquered death he now reigns as Lord of all (Rev. 11:15).

We believe that if we confess with our mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in our hearts that God raised him from the dead, we shall be saved (Romans 10:9).

We believe that Jesus died for our sins (ICor. 15:3), not because he had to, but because he loves us and that each of us is important, really important, in the eyes and in the heart of God (Jn. 15:13).

We believe that once we confess Jesus as Lord, the Holy Spirit becomes a permanent presence in our lives (Jn. 14:16-17).

We believe that the Holy Spirit fills (Eph. 5:18), anoints (Lk. 4:18), empowers (Acts 1:6) and bestows gifts upon us (1 Cor. 12:4-6) to equip the saints for ministry, to edify the body of Christ (Eph. 4:12) and set the captives free (Lk. 4:18).





We believe that the Bible is the inspired word of God written by fallible human beings who were under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit and that it contains all things necessary for salvation (II Tim. 3:14-17).

We believe that the Lordship of Jesus Christ mandates that we tithe, which means giving 10 percent of our gross income to the church, and that the failure to tithe is flagrant disobedience to the word of God (Mai. 3:8-10).

We believe in one Church, established by Jesus Christ, and called by many names and manifested in many traditions (Eph. 4:4-6).

We believe that the Church is called to witness to others and to introduce them to Jesus Christ, who saves us. We believe that any and everyone can become a new person in Jesus Christ (II Cor. 5:16).

We believe that because Jesus was resurrected from the dead, we too, shall live eternally in a body that is immortal and

incorruptible. (II Cor. 15:20-23).

We believe that according to God's Word and promise, Jesus is coming back in glory and that we shall live with him forever (I Thes. 4:13-18).

We believe that until the time of Christ's return or our departure, God wants us to grow and grow and keep on growing until we reach full maturity as followers of our Lord Jesus Christ.

#### ST. JAMES PREPARATORY SCHOOL

A CHRISTIAN ACADEMY OF EXCELLENCE

global environment, St. James Preparatory School gives its students a strong footing in academics and technology. It is a biblically based Christian academy rooted in the fundamental belief that children can learn far more than is commonly expected of them. The program for students in grades 7 through 12 embraces young people of all races and religions. It is designed to prepare them for leadership in their chosen fields and in their communities. At St. James Prep, the curriculum integrates the use of the latest technology and tools. The building is a newly constructed, state-of theart, high-tech facility. At the same time, the campus provides a warm environment where instructors emphasize the importance of morality,

olding young men and women into leaders who are able to excel in a



ethics, spirituality, clear values and service in today's society. The school is under the authority of an independent board of directors. We also have a number of partnerships with prominent community. corporate, cultural and educational institutions.

In a world where moral leadership and the use of advanced technologies will be imperatives for success, this Christian academy will place students well ahead of their peers.

To obtain further information and an application to St. James Preparatory School, please call the administrative offices at (973) 643-4749.



#### St. James Christian Learning Center

SERVING JESUS WITH A COMMITMENT TO LEARN CONTINUALLY

he St. James Christian Learning
Center is an institution that nourishes
the intellect and the spirit of God's
people. The courses are biblically
based and practical, and they equip students
with information to help them fulfill God's purpose

for their lives.



Structured into three major departments, the center covers Spiritual Development; Christian Witness and Leadership; and Christian Stewardship.

Each semester lasts 15 weeks, but participants can work toward a certificate in any area of study.

All of the instructors bring a wealth of experience with backgrounds in theology, technology, education and finance. They are committed to helping the students learn and grow.

The center is conveniently housed in the St. James Preparatory School building, giving the participants access to the latest advancements in technology. This makes it easier for students to complete assignments and gain greater exposure to the multimedia world.

If you would like more information, please contact the church office at (973) 622-1344 ext. 19

### St. James Social Services Corporation

**How we Reach the Masses** 



t St. James AME Church, we take seriously God's directive to meet the needs of our church family and the greater community. Social outreach

is part of what being a diligent Christian is all about.

As the umbrella organization for our outreach programs, **St. James Social Services Corporation** is there to meet the needs of the people.

This non-profit entity is considered one of the leading social service agencies in the city of Newark and its surrounding communities, but it is also a ministry.

It is our charge to support the family unit by changing the economic circumstances and improving the overall quality of life for children, the elderly, low-income families and the homeless. We are able to help them by supporting them in the area of some of their basic needs.

#### **Be A Blessing Holiday Distribution:**

Annually the holidays are a special time for our church family as we provide packages of food with all the trimmings for Thanksgiving and Christmas to more than 3,000 families. We also distribute several thousand toys to children for Christmas.

**Feeding Programs:** Our *Daily Feeding Programs*erves hot meals Monday through Friday and breakfast on Sundays. We also provide food packages through our *Emergency Food Pantry* and distribute clothing each month and provide warm coats in the winter.

#### St. James Intergenerational After School Program: St. James

Intergenerational After-school Program: A safe environment outside the classroom for children ages 5 to 14. Tutors work with the children on their academics and volunteers test the children and meet with schools and parents to assure the pupils' continued progress.

#### St. James Safe Haven Summer

Peace Camp: A six week full day program for children in kindergarden through 8th grade. The children's day include morning devotions, academic instruction taught by certified teachers, afternoon recreational activities and a variety of educational and cultural field trips.

"In all this I have given you an example that by such work we must support the weak, remembering the words of the Lord Jesus, for he himself said 'It is more blessed to give than to receive."

(Acts 20:35)

#### OTHER MINISTRIES

Center for Family Life: A comprehensive free healthcare clinic, open weekdays, serving more than 2600 patients. It is operated under the auspices of St. Barnabas Healthcare System.

**Care Ministries:** Care Ministries: An umbrella of services that includes visitation to the sick and shut-in. Members of this ministry also reach out to those who are incarcerated and rally on behalf of those with HIV and AIDS.

Commission on Youth Ministries: A plethora of offerings that cater to our younger believers. A dynamic Youth Church undergirds this ministry. Activities include a Wednesday Night Bible Study, acolytes, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and the Young People's Division, which is part of the Missionary Society and trains youth in all aspects of the church.

#### St. James AME Federal Credit

**Union:** An economic empowerment financial institution in business for more than a half century. From offering loans, to providing a secure way to save, the credit union is focused on helping its members improve their current lifestyles and invest in their futures.

#### St. James Properties:

**The Blake House** An historic building located at 604 Martin Luther King Blvd., which houses the St. James Social Services programs.

- **St. James Towers** A 220-unit apartment building located at 40 Washington Street.
- St. James Preparatory School State-of-theart, high tech facility, which houses the Prep School, the Center for Family Life and the Christian Learning Center, located at 88-108 Shipman Street.

#### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

#### SUNDAY

6:00 am.	Worship Service	
7:30 am.	Worship Service	
9:30 am	Sunday School	
9:30 am	New Life Ministry	
10:30 am	Youth Breakfast	
10:45 am	Worship Service	
11:30 am	Youth Church	
6:00 pm	Radio Broadcast	
First Sunday	Holy Communion	

#### WEDNESDAY

11:00 am	Community Bible Study
12:00 pm	Sweet Hour of Praise
6:30 pm	Women's Bible Study
7:30 pm	Pastor's Bible Study
7:30 pm	Youth Bible Study

#### THURSDAY

12:00 pm	Women of the Word Bible Study

#### FRIDAY

6:30 pm	Youth Fellowship	

#### SATURDAY

11:00 am (before 1st Sunday)	Love Feast	
8:00 am	Men's Bible Study	
6:00 pm (quarterly)	Mass Baptism	

#### MEDIA MINISTRY

Radio Broadcast - WNSW AM 1430 Sunday 6:00 pm - 6:30 pm

Radio Broadcast - (Barbados, Eastern Caribbean) Starcom 790 AM Sunday 4:00 - 4:30 PM

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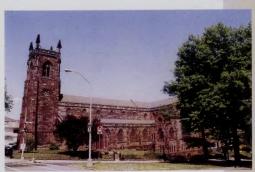
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#### FIRST-TIME VISITORS

We pray that the message has been a blessing to you. In order to help us get to know you a little better, please complete the form below. Present it at the Media Ministry Table, and you will receive a complimentary audio tape to enjoy and learn from over and over again. You may also drop this card in the collection plate or mail it to us, the address is shown on the reverse.

State Zip
information on the following:
☐ Bible Study ☐ Choirs ☐ Credit Union ☐ Men's Ministry ☐ Dance Ministry



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#### St. James AME Church

Attention: Church Administrator 588 Martin Luther King Boulevard Newark, New Jersey 07102

## DIRECTIONS TO ST. JAMES AME CHURCH

#### FROM 1-280

- Take Interstate 280 East to Exit 14A (Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard).
- Make a right at the traffic light.
- Follow the boulevard through six traffic lights.
- The church is located at 588 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., at the corner of Court Street.

#### FROM 1-78

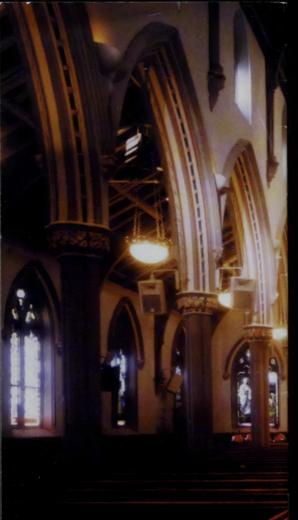
- Take Route 78 East to the Clinton Avenue Exit.
- Proceed to the fourth traffic light and make a right onto Clinton Avenue.
- Follow Clinton Avenue and make a left onto Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard.
- The church is located at 588 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., at the corner of Court Street.

#### PARKING

Secure and well-lit parking is available in the church lot and along the following streets:

- Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard
- Court Street
- Shipman Street

There are also spaces available in the parking lot for St. James Preparatory School and the property adjacent to that lot.



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